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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
OSAMU ITOKAWA) : Examiner: Unknown
Appln. No.: 09/650,738 ✓) : Group Art Unit: Unknown
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The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is also enclosed.

The M. Kass, et al. publication is discussed at page 2, of the present specification, and may be pertinent for the reasons noted therein.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Application:

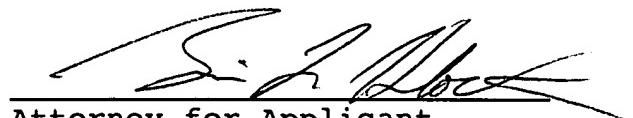
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(iii), no copy of the cited U.S. application is enclosed.

Applicant requests that the Examiner consider the above information and return initialed copies of the enclosed Forms PTO-1449 indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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